

OSCILLATIONS OF NONLINEAR SYSTEMS AFFECTED BY SMALL RANDOM PERTURBATIONS

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We consider a mechanical system having a single degree of freedom, whose Hamiltonian, which depends on the slowly varying parameters $x=(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, is

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m(x)} + V(x, q).$$

We assume that the system is subjected to small determined and random perturbations such that the behavior of the perturbed motion is described by a system of stochastic Ito equations of the form

$$\begin{aligned} dq &= \left[\frac{p}{m(x)} - \varepsilon f^{(p)}(x, q, p) \right] dt + \sqrt{\varepsilon} [\sigma_{11}(x, q, p) dW_1 + \sigma_{12}(x, q, p) dW_2], \\ dp &= [-Q(x, q) + \varepsilon f^{(q)}(x, q, p)] dt + \sqrt{\varepsilon} [\sigma_{21}(x, q, p) dW_1 + \sigma_{22}(x, q, p) dW_2], \\ dx &= \varepsilon X(x, q, p) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Here $Q(x, q) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial q}$, $X(x, q, p)$ is an n -dimensional vector function, $W_1(t)$ and $W_2(t)$ are independent Wiener processes, $MW_t = 0$, $MW_t^2 = t$, ε is a small parameter, and $\varepsilon \in [0, \varepsilon_0]$.

We assume that the unperturbed motion of the system is purely periodic, with a curve T_0 which depends on the parameters x and the initial conditions; the coordinate q has one maximum F_1 and one maximum F_2 during a period. (We could also consider the case in which the perturbed motion is rotational.) Under these assumptions, we can describe the unperturbed motion by $q = q(x, F_1, \psi)$, $p = p(x, F_1, \psi)$, where q and p are periodic functions (with a period of 2π) of the phase $\psi = \frac{2\pi}{T_0}(t - t_0) + h$, where h is an arbitrary constant, F_1 is a second arbitrary constant, which we assume below to be one possible maximum deviation of the system from its equilibrium position, and $x = \text{const}$.

We evidently have

$$V(x, F_1) \equiv V(x, F_2) = \frac{p^2}{2m(x)} + V(x, q). \tag{2}$$

If p and q are random processes which satisfy system (1), Eq. (2) gives the two possible (random) maximum deviations F_1 and F_2 from the equilibrium position for any time t .

Below we derive on the basis of an averaging principle [1, 2] average stochastic equations for F_1 and F_2 for the case of perturbed motion of the system. Analogous topics were analyzed in [3, 4].

In system (1) we replace the variables x, q, p by x, F_1, ψ . In this new system of "slow" variables we have F_1 and x . Using the equal equation (/5/, p. 506) and Eq. (2), we find that stochastic equations

$$\begin{aligned} dF_1 &= \frac{\varepsilon}{Q(x, F_1)} A(x, q, p) \Big|_{\substack{q=q(x, F_1, \psi) \\ p=p(x, F_1, \psi)}} dt + \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}{Q(x, F_1)} [B_1(x, q, p) dW_1 + B_2(x, q, p) dW_2] \Big|_{\substack{q=q(x, F_1, \psi) \\ p=p(x, F_1, \psi)}}, \\ dx &= \varepsilon X(x, q, p) \Big|_{\substack{q=q(x, F_1, \psi) \\ p=p(x, F_1, \psi)}} dt, \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A(x, q, p) &= f^{(q)} \frac{p}{m} - f^{(p)} Q - \frac{1}{m} X \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_q^{F_1} [m(x) Q(x, y)] dy + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{m} \left(1 - \frac{2}{Q^2(x, F_1)} \int_q^{F_1} Q(x, y) dy \right) a_{11} - 2 \frac{Q(x, q)}{Q(x, F_1)} \frac{\partial Q(x, F_1)}{\partial F_1} a_{12} + \right. \\ &\left. + \left(\frac{\partial Q(x, q)}{\partial q} - \frac{Q^2(x, q)}{Q^2(x, F_1)} \frac{\partial Q(x, F_1)}{\partial F_1} \right) a_{22} \right], \quad a_{ik} = \sigma_{i1} \sigma_{k1} + \sigma_{i2} \sigma_{k2}, \\ B_1 &= Q(x, q) \sigma_{12} + \frac{p}{m} \sigma_{21}, \quad B_2 = Q(x, q) \sigma_{12} + \frac{p}{m} \sigma_{22}. \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

According to [1], we can carry out an averaging in group (3). We denote the average values F_1 , F_2 and x by \bar{F}_1 , \bar{F}_2 , and \bar{x} :

$$\begin{aligned} d\bar{F}_1 &= \frac{\varepsilon}{Q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)} \left[\frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} A(\bar{x}, q, p) \Big|_{\substack{q=q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1, \Psi) \\ p=p(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1, \Psi)}} dt \right] dt + \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}{Q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)} \left[\frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} (B_1^2 + B_2^2) \Big|_{\substack{q=q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1, \Psi) \\ p=p(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1, \Psi)}} dt \right]^{1/2} dW, \\ d\bar{x} &= 2 \left[\frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} X(\bar{x}, q, p) \Big|_{\substack{q=q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1, \Psi) \\ p=p(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1, \Psi)}} dt \right] dt. \end{aligned}$$

(5)

We note that the time averaging can be replaced by an integration over q over the segment of the unperturbed trajectory corresponding to the interval $\Delta t = T_0$. (The unperturbed-motion trajectory need not be known). Here we must take that we have

$$\dot{q} = \pm m^{-1/2} \left[2 \int_q^{F_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right]^{1/2},$$

where the plus sign is used for the case in which q varies from F_2 to F_1 , and the minus sign as q varies from F_1 to F_2 . The average value of $\bar{A}(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)$ in (5) (the average value of the stochastic part of the equation is found in similar manner) is

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1) &= \left(2m^{1/2} \int_{\bar{F}_2}^{\bar{F}_1} dq \left(2 \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{-1/2} \right)^{-1} \times \\ &\times \int_{\bar{F}_2}^{\bar{F}_1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i f^{(q)}(\bar{x}, q, (-1)^i \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{1/2} \right) - \\ &- m^{1/2} \left(2 \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{-1/2} Q(\bar{x}, q) \sum_{i=1}^2 f^{(p)}(\bar{x}, q, (-1)^i \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{1/2}) - \\ &- \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [mQ(\bar{x}, y)] dy \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^2 X(\bar{x}, q, (-1)^i \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{1/2}) + \\ &+ \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} \left(1 - \frac{2}{Q^2(\bar{F}_1, \bar{x})} \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right) \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{-1/2} \times \\ &\times \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i a_{11}(\bar{x}, q, (-1)^i \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{1/2}) - \frac{Q(\bar{x}, q)}{Q^2(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)} \times \\ &\times \frac{\partial Q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)}{\partial \bar{F}_1} m^{1/2} \left(2 \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i a_{1,2}(\bar{x}, q, (-1)^i \times \\ &\times \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{1/2}) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial Q(\bar{x}, q)}{\partial q} - \frac{Q^2(\bar{x}, q)}{Q^2(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)} \frac{\partial Q(\bar{x}, \bar{F}_1)}{\partial \bar{F}_1} \right) m^{1/2} \times \\ &\times \left(2 \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i a_{22}(\bar{x}, q, (-1)^i \left(2m \int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right)^{1/2}) dq \left(\int_q^{\bar{F}_1} Q(\bar{x}, y) dy \right) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(6)

It follows from the averaging principle that the probability distribution of F_1 (F_2) for sufficiently small ε will come arbitrarily close to the probability distribution for the quantity \bar{F}_1 (\bar{F}_2) over a time integral on the order of $1/\varepsilon$.

For further analysis, we could write a Fokker-Planck-Kolmogorov equation for the transition probability for the average process on the basis of system (5) of stochastic equations: in some cases, however, we can find the unknown quantities directly because of the nature of the average equations. As an example, we consider the system

$$\ddot{y} + (2\epsilon\lambda(x) + \sqrt{\epsilon}\xi)\dot{y} + k^2 \operatorname{sgn} y = 0, \quad (7)$$

$$\dot{x} = \epsilon.$$

Here ξ is "white-noise" process, $k = \text{const}$. Equation (7) can be interpreted as a system of stochastic Ito equations. Setting $y=q$, $\dot{y}=p$, we find

$$dq = p dt,$$

$$dp = [-k^2 \operatorname{sgn} q - 2\epsilon\lambda(x)p] dt - \sqrt{\epsilon} p dW,$$

$$dx = \epsilon dt.$$

Using Eqs. (5) and (6), we find the following expression for the logarithm of F (it is assumed here that $F = \bar{F}_1 = -\bar{F}_2$):

$$\ln \frac{\bar{F}(\tau)}{F(0)} = -\frac{1}{3} \left[4 \int_0^\tau \lambda(s) ds + \frac{\tau}{5} \right] + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} [W(\tau) - W(0)].$$

Here $\tau = \epsilon t$, $F(0)$ is the value of F at $t = 0$ (governed by the initial conditions), and $W(\tau) - W(0)$ is the increment in the Wiener process.

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